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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO. |
| | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 10/579955 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/013239 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 22, 2004 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED FR 0313686 filed November 21, 2003 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION UTILITY DEVICE FOR A CONTAINER OF LIQUID MATTER | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Jean-Francois Bedon | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)) and/or amendments under Article 34. | | |
| Items 11 to 20 Below concern other document(s) or information included: 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Return Post card. | | |

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| The following fees are submitted: | | CALCULATIONS | | |
| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))\$150 | | | | |
| 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If International preliminary report prepared by ISA/US or the examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0 All other situations\$200 | | | | |
| 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search Fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0 Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority\$100 International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office\$400 All other situations\$500 | | | | |
| TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = \$150.00 | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | \$ | | |
| Claims | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | |
| Total Claims | - 20 = | 0 | x \$ 50.00 | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims | - 3 = | | x \$ 200.00 | \$0.00 |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) if Applicable | | | + \$360.00 | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½. | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than the <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE= | | | | \$150 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31), \$40.00 per property + | | | | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED= | | | | \$150 |
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| b. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$ <u>150.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. | | |
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| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. | | | | |
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| Name G. Peter Nichols | | | | |
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